

This school is important to my family and me; my wife, Dr. Alice Plummer Joyce, was one of school's first graduates.

I am incredibly grateful for the outstanding work that Penn-Mont Academy does in our community. From the Wolf's front porch to their current home in Hollidaysburg, the Penn-Mont Academy has offered generations of students the foundation they need to succeed.

The school's commitment to educating the children of Blair County is exceptional, and I look forward to their continued work to support and inspire our future leaders.

On behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I congratulate the students, staff, and administration of Penn-Mont Academy on reaching this historic milestone and wish them every continued success in the years to come.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF MARK B. MILLER

#### HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 12, 2021*

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I ask that the House of Representatives join me in honoring the life of Mark Miller, who passed away on Friday, September 24, 2021. He will be remembered as a leader and activist for public education.

For decades, Mark has been a great force for positive change in the Philadelphia region. Most notably, through his vigorous advocacy for students, teachers, and public schools. He has inspired many to fight for quality, equitable and free education.

He served on the Centennial School District School Board and was a Pennsylvania School Boards Association leader. Outside of his work on public education, he was also the commissioner and official for the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, overseeing programs in soccer, basketball, and softball.

He was a leader in our community and will be greatly missed. I ask that all of my colleagues in the House join me in celebrating Mark's life, as well as his legacy of public and community service.

#### UNDERSTANDABLE MATH REVEALS CRISIS

#### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 12, 2021*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I was grateful to receive from the appreciated historian Greg Shorey of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, the following message . . .

TO: SERIOUSLY CONCERNED PATRIOTS—IT IS IMPORTANT we all understand how this proposed Budget Bill could seriously affect us! The details destroy our freedoms & brings our uncontrolled debt to \$30 TRILLION!

As with MOST in Congress, most voters won't take time to comprehend the devastating affects this \$3.5 TRILLION—2500 page budget bill the socialist Democrats are trying to shove down our throats! This is an

excellent way to understand the math affects—BUT the greater DISASTER will be the death of our free enterprise system & our Constitutional Republic!

This cuts through all the political doublespeak we get. Politicians 'new math.'

It puts it into a much better perspective.

Lesson No. 1:

U.S. Tax revenue: \$2,170,000,000,000

Fed budget: \$3,820,000,000,000

New debt: \$1,650,000,000,000

National debt: \$19,271,000,000,000

Recent budget cuts: \$38,500,000,000

Let's now remove 8 zeros and pretend it's

OUR household budget:

Annual family income: \$21,700

Money the family spent: \$38,000

New debt on the credit card: \$16,500

Outstanding balance on the credit card: \$192,710

Total budget cuts so far: \$385

Got it??

Lesson No. 2:

Here's another way to look at the Debt Ceiling:

Let's say, you come home from work and find there has been a sewer backup in your neighborhood . . . and you home has sewage all the way up to your ceilings. What do you think you should do? Raise the ceilings, or pump out the sewage?

In conclusion, God Bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the Global War on Terrorism continues moving from Afghanistan to our neighborhoods.

#### CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION FOR SERGEANT MAJOR RODNEY WAYNE GILCHRIST

#### HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 12, 2021*

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Madam Speaker, I am honored to present Sergeant Major Rodney Wayne Gilchrist, U.S. Army, Retired with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. SGM Gilchrist embodies the true meaning of selflessness, which is evident through his service and commitment to our nation as well as his community.

SGM Gilchrist first began his service in 1986. During this time, he completed a multitude of tasks that have displayed his allegiance to our nation. His profound leadership skills are indicated by roles during his service such as the Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course Small Group Leader for his Military Occupational Specialty. This position speaks to the innate craftsmanship of his leadership skills, as he mentored and trained 175 Senior Noncommissioned Officers to a ninety-nine percent graduation rate.

SGM Gilchrist closed out 24 years of military service in 2010 but continued to contribute his time to the people of his community. His devotion is exhibited in countless ways, but one of the most notable acts to his community is his creation of the Liberty Christian Center of Killeen. As pastor, he has guided this center to be of service to community members of Killeen, giving free haircuts, clothing, and meals to any person in need. As a

man of deep faith, SGM Gilchrist's commitment to investing his talents, and abilities to improve his community is a deeply held creed that speaks to the generosity and activism of a truly devoted public servant.

I proudly join SGM Rodney Wayne Gilchrist's family, friends, and colleagues in saluting his selfless service to the military and Texas. His work has made a real and lasting difference in the lives of his fellow citizens.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF ESTELLE S. PRYOR

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 12, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a remarkable servant, Ms. Estelle S. Pryor.

Ms. Estelle S. Pryor was born May 8, 1929, to the late Charlie Smith and Lattie Howard Smith in Bourbon, MS. She was the sixth of eight children.

She was previously married to the late Peter Griggs, Jr. and the late Bennie Pryor.

Ms. Pryor received her elementary education in the Leland School District, her secondary education and High School diploma from Coleman Junior and Senior High School, in Greenville, MS. She went on to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Childhood Elementary Education and Child Education Development from Mississippi Valley State University. Next, she received a CP Nurse Certificate from Homer G. Phillip Hospital School in St. Louis, MO in 1949. She also attended Deluxe Beauty College where she received a Cosmetology License in 1961, and studied Data Processing and Business at Moorhead Junior College.

Ms. Pryor was the first African American female hired in the Washington County Courthouse as a Deputy Circuit Clerk, where she was later promoted to the position of Chief Deputy Clerk. When she was later elected as the Washington County Circuit Clerk, she became the first African American female elected to public office in Washington County since reconstruction. She held that position until her retirement in 1995, having been in office for over thirty years.

Ms. Pryor lived an exemplary life. Her honors, memberships, associations, achievements, and prestigious awards, too numerous to name, span over nearly seven decades.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Ms. Estelle S. Pryor.

#### COMMENDING MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR BLUE RIBBON AWARD

#### HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 12, 2021*

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Memorial Elementary School on its designation as a 2021 National Blue Ribbon School. Principal Philip Schappler, teachers, board members, and staff at this school have made a lasting impact on the